out of 14 schemes two schemes earmarked 50 per cent of funds for women, one scheme provided 40 per cent of funds and 11 schemes apportioned 30 per cent of funds for women under his Ministry (in the Budget Estimates as well as in the Revised Estimates of 2005-06); and

(b) if so, the amount of funds actually spent on women in 2005-06 in these 14 schemes and how much was actually spent on women as a proportion to total actual expenditure in these 14 schemes?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) and (b) The schemes of this Ministry are subject specific and designed with a focus on the development of youth and sports activities in this country. However, under the schemes of National Sports Championship for Women, National Service Scheme and Scheme relating to Talent Search & Training, an amount of Rs.33,38,363/-, Rs. 8,48,03,668/-and Rs.27,38,079/- respectively has been spent on women during 2005-06. A stipulation is also made in the financial sanctions under schemes of assistance to organizations to ensure that woman beneficiaries are encouraged to participate in programmes at the institutional level, the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, has achieved 37% women participation in their programmes against the target of 30% set during the year 2005-06. The scheme-wise details are being compiled and will be laid on the table of the House.

Information on SC/ST specific programme

1176, SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in 11 schemes under the Ministry, 20 per cent of funds were meant for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) in the Budget Estimates as well as in the Revised Estimates of 2005-06;

(b) if so, the amount actually spent on SCs and STs in 2005-06 in each of these 11 schemes for SCs and STs separately;

(c) whether there is any gap between the funds released and the expenditure reported; and

(d) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) to (d) This Ministry is implementing plan schemes relating to the development of youth activities and sports in the country, which are not SC/ST specific. But efforts are always made to ensure that 20% of the budget is spent under the schemes for the welfare of SC/ST, wherever possible. A stipulation is also made in financial sanctions to ensure that SC/ST beneficiaries are encouraged to participate in programmes. Under the National Service Scheme (NSS) out of total enrolment, the strength of SC/ST volunteers was 20.13% of total enrolment during the year 2005-06. The scheme-wise details are being compiled and will be laid on the table of the House.

12.00 Noon

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (2005-06) of the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Limited, New Delhi and related papers

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table:—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Limited (DMRC), New Delhi, for the year 2005-2006, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Review by Government on the working of the above Corporation.

Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (1) above.

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Notifications of the Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS: (SHRI T.R. BALLU) Sir, I beg to lay on the Table:—